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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Steering Committee Meeting for Project CLOUD GAP (ACDA)

1. The Steering Committee for Project CLOUD GAP met on 4 February to review five tests proposed by ACDA. (The names and organizations of the members of the Steering Committee and the agenda of briefing are presented in the attachment.)

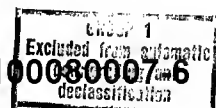
2. Project CLOUD GAP was established as a joint ACDA-DOD venture to manage various field experiments designed to assess the value of a variety of inspection techniques. The question of the role of the Steering Committee was raised. Admiral Parker stated that the Committee would advise and guide CLOUD GAP; however, the discussion gave me the impression that its main function was for ACDA to obtain cooperation and agreement from the DOD in carrying out the proposed tests. It was obvious from the conversation that there was considerable reluctance on the part of the DOD members to support at least some of the CLOUD GAP activities.

3. Briefings on five proposed field tests were presented to the Committee by CLOUD GAP personnel. The DOD representatives objected very strongly to the necessity and feasibility of field tests 63-1 and 63-2; it was agreed that existing data would be examined to determine whether available data would satisfy ACDA needs before further action was taken on these items. I pointed out that these two tests were oriented toward the detection of motor vehicles; that, with the exception of local movement, most of the land transport in the USSR was by railroad; and that the field test should focus on this aspect of the problem. ACDA agreed that they should modify these tests to include rail transport.

4. In the discussion, it was pointed out that the Steering Committee members had difficulty understanding how the proposed tests actually fitted into the overall ACDA inspection plan. Admiral Parker agreed to prepare a paper to cover this point. One of the DOD participants raised the question of the priority of the five tests relative to the immediate need for practical investigation of procedures and equipment requirements for the implementation

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of a nuclear test ban agreement involving on site inspection. Although Admiral Parker agreed that something of this sort was needed, he implied that it was not a proper subject for the meeting.

5. Considerable discussion of the CLOUD GAP budget ensued. Admiral Parker stated that there were serious restrictions on how ACDA funds could be used and that these restrictions prevented ACDA from getting the kind of contractual help it wanted. He stated that some \$400,000 were available for FY 1963 and that some \$2 million would be needed for FY 1964, although no such allotment had been included in the ACDA budget proposal.


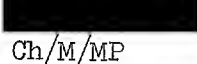
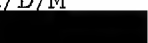
6. The overall impression I got from the meeting was that although considerable detailed planning had been done on the five tests on the agenda, the new agency is still groping its way into the problems of inspection.


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